## How much will it cost to join the City of Tucson? Homeowner Costs/Savings Worksheet



## You will need the following to complete this calculation:

Your property tax statement and annual charge for fire protection (see 1 below), your average utility bills and phone bills, and your annual cost for trash pick-up and recycling.

| Current costs that would be eliminated with annexation: | Α        | Additional taxes/costs associated with becoming part of the City of Tucson:  | В        |
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| Annual charge for fire protection (see 1 below)         |          |  |          |
| Annual charge for trash pick-up                         |          | City of Tucson property tax (see 3 below)  |          |
| Annual saving on homeowner's insurance (see 2 below)    |          | City environmental service fee per year (\$14/mo. for weekly trash pick-up, recycling, and twice yearly brush & bulky pick-up) | \$168.00 |
|   |          | Additional tax on natural gas and electric bills (see 4 below)   |          |
|   |          | Additional tax on home phone (see 5 below)   |          |
|   |          | Additional tax on cell phone (see 6 below)   |          |
|   |          | Additional tax on cable TV (\$.45/month x 12 months)   | \$5.40   |
| Total charges/costs eliminated                          |          | Total additional charges/costs   |          |
| Net Annual Savings/Cost with Ann                        | evation: |  |          |

## Total charges/costs eliminated (Column A Total) Total additional charges/costs (Column B Total) Total Annual Net Savings/Cost with Annexation (Subtract Column B from Column A. Positive = Savings; Negative = Costs)

- 1. If you subscribe to Rural Metro, enter the annual subscription amount in column A. If you are in a fire district, look on your property tax bill for your property tax charge (primary and secondary tax) from your fire district (remember that your bill may only show a one-half year charge) and enter the annual amount in column A. Calculate your fire district property tax by taking your total net assessed value, dividing it by 100, and multiplying it by the fire district tax rate. The following are some local 2006/2007 fire district tax rates: Corona de Tucson \$2.5999, Drexel Heights \$3.19, Northwest \$2.4709, and Rincon Valley \$2.6321.
  - If you do not have your property tax bill, go to <a href="http://www.asr.co.pima.az.us/apiq/index.cfm">http://www.asr.co.pima.az.us/apiq/index.cfm</a>, type in your last name and first name with no comma, then press "Go". Then click on the parcel number that corresponds to your property to view specific information about your property.
- 2. Your insurance company should be able to tell you the savings in your homeowners insurance by coming into the City.
- 3. The City of Tucson property tax is \$1.33 per \$100 of net assessed valuation. Look on your property tax bill for your "net assessed value" or "net value total." Take that figure and divide by \$100 and then multiply by \$1.23. For most homes in Tucson, this figure is between \$100 and \$300 per year. For example on a \$200,000 home with an assessed value of \$170,000 and a net assessed value of \$17,000, the annual city property tax would be \$209.10.
- 4. Take your annual gas and electric bill (or estimate your monthly bill and multiply by 12) and multiply by .0425 (4.25%).
- 5. Take your annual home phone bill (or estimate your monthly bill and multiply by 12) and multiply by .055 (5.5%).
- 6. Take your annual cell phone bill (or estimate your monthly bill and multiply by 12) and multiply by .04 (4%).

If you would like help with this calculation, please e-mail (annexation@tucsonaz.gov) or phone (791-4505) the City of Tucson Annexation Office.